

# FY2011 Appropriations Request Form

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Individuals/Organizations must respond to all questions on the form. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

All appropriations project requests will be presented to and evaluated by the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District's Citizens Oversight Panel, made up of community leaders. **This year's panel meetings will be held on February 26, March 5 and March 12, 2010 in the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.** Appointments to appear before the panel must be made through Cookab Hashemi, Chief of Staff, at 202/225-3531 or via email, [Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov](mailto:Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov).

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** All information provided on this form and any supporting documents will be made available to the public on the Congresswoman's website.

**DEADLINE: Forms are due by Friday, February 12, 2010  
@ 6:00 p.m. (P.S.T.)/9:00 p.m. (E.S.T.). Project requests submitted after that  
date will not be considered.**

**Date Submitted:**

2-12-2010

**Project Name:**

Millbrae Avenue Pedestrian Overcrossing

**Individual/Organization:** *(Is the grantee located in the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District?)*

City of Millbrae  
621 Magnolia Avenue  
Millbrae, California 94030

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**Amount Requested** (if requesting report language, please attach.):

\$15,949,100.00

**Appropriations Bill/Account/Relevant Authorization law/bill/status** (e.g., "Public Law 107-111"; "FY2008 DOD Authorization", "Currently pursuing authorization through Agriculture Committee", "Safe Drinking Water Act" or "Hatch Act") Applicants uncertain as to how to answer this question should contact Cookab Hashemi at 202-225-3531 or via email, [Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov](mailto:Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov) for assistance:

N/A

**Local Contact** (Please provide full contact information, including any relevant phone extensions, and indicate if there is a separate D.C. contact. Please provide local address, state, zip code and email address):

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621 Magnolia Avenue  
Millbrae, CA 94030  
(650) 259-2339  
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**Organization's Main Activities.** (Please limit your response to 250 words and indicate whether it is a public, non-profit or private for-profit entity.)

City of Millbrae is a general law municipal corporation incorporated in 1948 with a population of about 22,000 located adjacent to the San Francisco International Airport. The City is a full service City providing various utilities including water, stormwater and sewage treatment and public safety to its citizens.

The City owns and maintains approximately 110 lane miles and street network, a storm drain collection system consisting of about 20 miles of underground pipelines connected through a series of over 100 manholes and 700 catch basins, a sanitary sewer collection system including approximately 55 miles of sanitary sewer mains as well as a sewage treatment plant. Additionally, the City operates a water distribution system and several reservoirs. In addition to providing utility services to its citizens, the City of Millbrae also provides public safety including police and fire services to its citizens.

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**Please show main items in the project and total cost in a simplified chart form.**  
*(Please include the amount of any Federal/State/Local/Private funds, including any in-kind resources.)*

Engineer's Estimate

Final Engineering Design	\$2,300,000
Permitting Costs	\$25,000
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	
Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)	
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board	
US Fish and Wildlife Services	
California Department of Fish and Game	
California Highway Patrol (CHP)	
Construction	
Roadway Items	\$1,068,100
Structure Items	\$10,206,000
Right Of Way	\$150,000
Construction Engineering and Administration	\$3,000,000
Total Estimated Project Costs	\$16,749,100

**Project Description, including a timeline, goals, expected outcomes and specific uses of Federal Funds.** *(Your response must focus on the requested funds rather than the organization's mission and general activities. Please limit your response to 250 – 500 words.)*

The City of Millbrae proposes to construct the Millbrae Pedestrian Overcrossing (POC), a 10-foot wide bridge that will serve as a two-way, dual-use pathway for bicyclists and pedestrians. It  
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will link the Millbrae BART Intermodal Station and the Millbrae Trail System on the westside of US101 to the existing San Francisco Bay Trail along the San Francisco Bay waterfront on the eastside of US101. The project will provide a safer alternative route for non-vehicular traffic in the area, thereby encouraging alternative forms of transportation while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Some of the goals and expected outcomes of the project are to provide a safer alternate route for non-vehicular traffic and reduce traffic congestion in the busy Millbrae Avenue/US101 interchange area, to increase reliance on alternate forms of transportation, to enhance a significant regional recreational resource for San Francisco Bay Peninsula residents and visitors to the area, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and to provide local jobs during the construction and installation phases of the project.

The funding request is compete the final design and for the construction of the Millbrae Avenue Pedestrian Overcrossing. The total estimated cost of the project is approximately \$16,749,100. The City of Millbrae has secured approximately \$800,000 in external funding to supplement the final design costs, and the funding request is \$15,949,100.

Below is the projected schedule:

Environmental Clearance (CEQA/NEPA)	Completed
Combined Project Study Report/Project Report	Completed
Public Participation Meetings and Outreach	Completed
Conceptual and Preliminary Design	Completed
Final Design	June 2011
Right of Way Certification	September 2011
Advertising/Bidding	November 2011
Begin Construction	February 2012
End Construction	July 2013

**How will this project request serve to expand the capacity of your organization and how will your organization sustain this work beyond the federal funding?** *(Your response must focus on the impact of the requested funds rather than the organization's long-term goals.)*

Once the Millbrae POC is built, it will be maintained by the City of Millbrae's Street crew. The maintenance activities will be limited to sweeping and litter removal, pavement maintenance and electrical costs for safety lighting. The routine maintenance can be achieved by the current staffing level without expanding the existing organizational structure. Direct costs such as electrical costs will also be minimal, because all safety lights will be supplied with low energy consumption lighting fixtures such as LED or induction lights which consume minimal energy; these costs can be easily absorbed by the City of Millbrae's current budget.

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**Can this proposal be funded via fees levied on users of the service or via the ordinary capital budgeting process of the organization?**

No. The Millbrae POC will be accessible not only for local Millbrae and the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District citizens, but others in the greater San Francisco Bay Area as well. The Millbrae POC will close a major gap along the 500-mile shoreline bay trail around the San Francisco International Airport.

**What is the local significance of this project?**

The project will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from motorized vehicles, alleviate traffic congestion in the heavily traveled Millbrae Avenue/US Highway 101 corridor, it will increase usage of alternative forms of transportation, especially bicycling and walking, it will provide another non-vehicular traffic link to and increase reliance on the Millbrae BART Intermodal Station and the future planned location of High Speed Rail Station in Millbrae, and it will also close a major gap linking the existing bike trail west of US101 in Millbrae to the existing San Francisco Bay Trail, a major recreational facility in the San Francisco Bay Area, closing a major gap around the San Francisco International Airport of the 500-mile San Francisco Bay Trail.

**How many residents of the 12<sup>th</sup> CD will benefit from this project? (i.e. jobs created, services rendered to, how many people, etc.)**

During the estimated 18 month construction period, over 100 construction jobs will be created, benefiting the large local workforce.

Upon completion, the Millbrae POC will provide a vital link to the 500-mile San Francisco Bay Trail, attracting thousands of recreational users on every single day thereby benefiting local economies.

The project will also serve to provide recreational facility for travelers making a stop at the San Francisco International Airport, a major international gateway airport serving Northern California, before continuing their journey to overseas destinations.

Ultimately, the Millbrae POC will provide a vital link and safe and easy access to the existing Bay Trail, encouraging our citizens to enjoy outdoor activities and keeping an active and healthy lifestyle. An active and healthy citizen can keep our health care costs from spiraling out of control as we are all experiencing today.

**Please explain the federal interest in this proposal (i.e. meets a stated objective of federal policy, supports a federal agency, is the result of a federal law/mandate, etc.)**

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The federal government shares similar interests with Millbrae in this project, because the benefits to Millbrae, the surrounding San Francisco Bay Area residents as well as visitors to the area are numerous. Upon construction and installation of the Millbrae POC, we expect better air quality, traffic congestion management, increased participation in alternative forms of transportation, such as: bicycling, walking, running, and utilization of the public transportation services currently provided through the Millbrae BART Intermodal Station and the proposed High Speed Rail, there will also be benefits to the San Francisco Bay water and wildlife due to the potential reduction in air pollution, further deterioration of water quality especially the San Francisco Bay and greenhouse gas emissions.

**List any other organizations or state/local elected officials who have expressed support for the project in writing.** *(Please submit copies of support letters along with the request form.)*

The San Francisco International Airport (SFO), the County of San Mateo and the San Francisco Bay Trail have jointly funded the environmental phase and preliminary engineering of the Millbrae POC project. A total funding of approximately \$525,000 was provided by these agencies.

Additionally, the Peninsula Bicycle Coalition attended several of Millbrae public outreach meetings and supported the Millbrae POC.

**Does the organization have any other funding requests for this project?**  
*(Federal, State, Local or private request pending?)*

No.

**Has the organization previously received Federal funds for this project?**  
*(Please list any funds received [by fiscal year] and briefly describe how those funds were spent.)*

The City received approximately \$800,000 in Earmark-T3-HPP funds for the design phase of the Millbrae POC project.

**Has the individual and/or organization submitted the project request to other Member offices? If so, please identify below the names of the Members of Congress and staff persons.**

No.

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**Please attach a list of your organization's staff and board members from 2005 – 2010. (if any).**

Please see attached City organizational chart.

**Please attach any additional relevant materials.**

- (1) Millbrae Avenue Overcrossing Alignment Plan
- (2) Project Location (Exhibit 1)
- (3) Project Overview (Exhibit 2)
- (4) Combined Project Study Report/Project Report
- (5) Letter of Support from San Francisco International Airport
- (6) Letter of Support from Millbrae's City Manager

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